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COMPANY ORGANIZED TO BUILD NEW MILL

Directors Elected and Instructed to Prepare for Incorporation.

FOR NEXT HARVEST

Ten Per Cent of Subscriptions Paid—Marshall Gordon, Chairman.

A temporary organization of the company which is to build a new mill in Columbia was formed this morning.

About fifty stockholders were present. They paid in 10 per cent on the stock, for which they had subscribed. Full payment in the near future of the amounts subscribed was urged, so that the company can be incorporated under the state laws and begin work on the mill.

It is intended to have the mill completed in time to take care of the next wheat harvest.

Marshall Gordon was elected temporary chairman of the meeting, and N. D. Evans was elected temporary secretary. Mr. Gordon appointed a committee composed of A. G. Spencer, E. C. Clinkscales, S. M. Stevinson, Thad Hickman and Ed Easley to recommend the first board of directors of the company.

The committee selected L. D. Bass, R. E. Thurston, N. D. Evans, A. J. Bass, R. B. Price, Jr., W. W. Payne, Marshall Gordon, T. W. Gardner, L. D. Shobe, S. M. Stevinson and R. P. Reid as the directors. Six of these are farmers and the other five are town men.

The recommendation of the committee was approved, and the board of directors was instructed to proceed with the work necessary to incorporate. The board will be organized as soon as convenient and the work begun.

E. C. Clinkscales moved that the mill be called "Farmers' Milling Company." A. J. Bass was in favor of calling it "Peoples' Milling Company." Other names suggested were "Columbia Milling Company," "Citizens' Milling Company" and "Co-operative Mill and Elevator Company."

It was decided to leave the selection of a name for the mill to the board of directors. Mr. Gordon requested that all suggestions for names be turned in to N. D. Evans.

DINNER PLANS MADE

Program Arrangements for Washington Birthday Celebration Complete.

Final arrangements for the dinner to be given to the returned Boone County soldiers, sailors, marines and Red Cross nurses were made at a Red Cross committee meeting yesterday afternoon.

Personal invitations have been sent out, but those intending to accept are asked to telephone to Mrs. L. W. Dumas at the Red Cross workrooms. The guests are to meet at the Red Cross workrooms in the Thilo Building at noon Saturday, Washington's Birthday. There will be music during the dinner.

"This is the first dinner for returned soldiers ever given here on Washington's Birthday," said N. T. Gentry, "although Boone County has always given dinners for soldiers after previous wars."

A memorial service will be held in the University Auditorium after the dinner.

The program will include: Patriotic music by the University Cadet Band.

Presentation of the county service flag containing 1,530 stars, 32 of them gold, by Mrs. G. F. Troxell.

Acceptance of the flag, Private John F. Woods.

Song, "Beautiful Columbia," children of University Elementary School.

Song, "Freedom for All Forever," Stephens College quartet.

Address, Lieutenant James Sidney Rollins.

Music by Christian College students.

Address, Lieutenant William B. Bostian.

Private John Woods was a volunteer early in the war. He was severely gassed. He is now employed again with the Hamilton-Brown Shoe Company.

Lieutenant Rollins and Lieutenant Bostian are former University students. Both have returned recently from France.

Christian College Girls Give Recital

An informal recital in expression was given at 6:30 o'clock last evening in the Christian College Auditorium by the pupils of Miss Harriett Jean Trappe. The following girls took part: Lillian Morris, Lou Anna Hale, D'Louis Shoptaw, Leal St. John, Elizabeth McVey, Lucille Downing and Arthelie Wyatt.

THE WEATHER

For Columbia and vicinity: Rain or snow this afternoon and tonight followed by general fair Friday. Not much change in temperature; lowest tonight about 23.

For Missouri: Rain or snow tonight and east portion Friday. Somewhat colder west portion tonight and southeast portion Friday. Fresh shifting winds becoming westerly by Friday morning.

Shipper's Forecast: Within a radius of 200 miles of Columbia the lowest temperature during the next 36 hours will be 28 west and north; 34 east and south.

Weather Conditions.

The atmospheric depression that was central near the New Mexico-Texas line yesterday moved northeast and at 7 a. m. this morning was central in South Kansas. Its influence covers most of the Plains and lower parts of the Mississippi valley; rain has been general in Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Arkansas; and snow in Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska, and Kansas.

Temperatures have not changed much and there is no severe cold in sight.

In Columbia moderate winter weather will continue during the most of the next 36 hours but there is a chance for clearing weather Friday. No severe temperatures are expected.

Local Data.

The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 51; and the lowest last night was 32. Precipitation 0.54. Relative humidity noon yesterday was 52 per cent. A year ago yesterday the highest temperature was 60 and the lowest was 12. Precipitation 0.10.

Sun rose today 6:54 a. m. Sun sets 5:52 p. m. Moon rises 11:43 p. m.

The Temperatures Today.

7 a. m.	33	12 noon	34
8 a. m.	33	1 p. m.	36
9 a. m.	33	2 p. m.	39
10 a. m.	33	3 p. m.	40
11 a. m.	33	4 p. m.	39

STUDIO PARTLY BURNS

Fire in Parson's Drying Room Started From Unknown Cause.

Fire originating from an unknown cause in the drying room of the Parsons' Studio about 6:30 o'clock last evening threatened to destroy the entire Whittle Building on Broadway. Paul Parsons estimated that between \$300 and \$400 worth of photographic supplies were destroyed.

The blaze was first noticed by the Murray Messenger boys from the second story window of the Sikes & Broadhead Building across the street. The firemen were able to confine the fire to the one room and put it out with chemicals.

The blaze apparently started on a shelf at the side of the room which contained only packages of mounting boards and photographic holders. There were no chemicals or combustible materials anywhere in the room, Mr. Parsons said.

The entire force of the studio had gone out for supper. As far as is known, no one had entered the drying room for several hours previous to the fire.

No negatives or material in the process of development were injured by the fire. A large machine used in drying prints was burned and rendered useless until some of the cloth parts can be replaced. Most of the loss was in picture folders and mounting board. The stock was insured for \$1,500.

T. W. Whittle, owner of the building, was unable this morning to estimate the damage done to the room. The woodwork is badly charred and the paper and plastering on the wall destroyed. Two rooms adjoining were damaged slightly by the smoke. The damage to the building is covered by insurance, Mr. Whittle said.

ALUMNI IN NEW YORK DINE

D. A. Ross Hill Was Guest of Honor and Principal Speaker.

The University of Missouri Alumni Association of New York held its annual dinner at the Advertising Club Tuesday night. More than 100 former Missouri students were present.

Dr. A. Ross Hill was the guest of honor and the principal speaker. He told of the work of the University during the war and of the men from Missouri who had gone to war and of the brave deeds done by these former students.

Among former Missourians present were: Ellsworth Higgins, Ben Altheimer, who was called "the dean of New York Missourians"; M. F. Gordon, Henry Woolman, Mrs. Frank M. Swacker, president of the New York Missouri Woman's Club; Mr. and Mrs. Hickman, Mr. and Mrs. Richards and Mr. and Mrs. Gwynne.

WILL JUDGE LIVE STOCK

Short Course Students to Hold Contest Saturday.

The twelfth annual Short Course judging contest of the College of Agriculture is to be held at the Stock Judging Pavilion Saturday for the benefit of the students who are about to complete the work of the Short Course in Agriculture.

Prizes will be offered to the best judges of each class of live stock by the live stock bidders of the state. In the contest they will judge about eight classes.

The mules for the contest will be furnished by Phillips and Robnett. The other live stock will be furnished by the University Farm.

ATTACKS ON LEAGUE IN SENATE IGNORED

Administration Leaders Say Wilson's Words Will Decide People.

LET CRITICS TALK

President to Reach Boston Monday—Naval Convoy to Greet His Ship.

By L. C. MARTIN

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—President Wilson and not the Senate will speak the words that will decide the American people for or against the League of Nations, in the opinion of Senate administrative leaders.

They refuse to worry today over attacks on the league's constitution. They are in no hurry to reply to Poindexter and other critics who plan to hammer at the league daily from now on.

Wilson to Land Monday.

By United Press.

BOSTON, Feb. 20.—The transport George Washington is expected to arrive at Boston Monday, according to a wireless message today to Admiral Spencer Wood of the first naval district. The information came from one of the vessels conveying the President's ship.

Plans for the reception of the President were practically completed today, subject to change if Joseph P. Tumulty, the President's secretary, believes any modifications are necessary.

The George Washington will be met by practically all the naval vessels stationed here and by at least three ships carrying the mayor's committee of welcome. Admiral Wood of the first naval district has made arrangements for six destroyers to go out to sea and convey the big liner to port.

20 YEARS FOR BERGER

Socialist Congressman-Elect Sentenced to Leavenworth Penitentiary.

By United Press.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Socialist Congressman-elect Victor Berger, Wisconsin, who was convicted of conspiracy to violate the Espionage Act, was sentenced today by Federal Judge Landis to serve 20 years in the Leavenworth penitentiary.

Four other Socialists convicted with Berger were also sentenced to serve 20 years at Leavenworth.

20 MEXICANS KILLED

Yaqui Indians Fight Two Battles—Sixty Americans May Be in Danger.

By United Press.

NOGALES, Ariz., Feb. 20.—Two sanguinary battles between Mexican soldiers and Yaqui Indians have occurred near Nogales in the last forty-eight hours.

The last encounter occurred within nine miles of Nogales, Sonora. Twenty Mexican soldiers were killed. The Yaqui casualties are unknown. The first engagement took place near Loquillo, Sonora, twenty miles east of Nogales. Its results are unknown.

Apprehension is felt for sixty American business men who left today for Mazatlan and other points on the west coast on a trade promotion expedition.

BOYS START HIPPODROME FIRE!

Negro Youths Seen Coming From Building After Fire Started.

"The cause of the fire at the Hippodrome Theater is still a mystery," said B. E. Hatton, owner of the building, this morning. "One woman said she saw two negro boys run out of the stage entrance just after the fire started. One of them was heard to say, 'Gosh! I came pretty near getting burned up.' The boys have not been identified yet."

Ten days ago I discovered that the doors of the building, which I supposed to be locked, had been broken open and the motors from the electric fans had been taken. I sent one of my men to nail up the doors again but evidently the place was not fastened securely."

NOVEL TRACTOR IN COLUMBIA

Being Driven to Kansas City for Farm Tractor Show.

A farm tractor, making a cross-country trip from West Alton, Mo., to Kansas City, passed through Columbia this morning. It was in charge of J. H. Cardes, who will exhibit it at the Farm Tractor Show to be held soon in Kansas City.

The tractor and two heavy wagons made up the train. The tractor was driven by a driver seated in the first wagon. The method of driving is one of the tractor's principal features.

\$1,200 OF QUOTA FOR RELIEF OF ARMENIA

Two Hundred Dollars Received Through Part Canvass of Business District.

ASK LARGER GIFTS

Only One County District Report Today—Grindstone \$38.

Columbians are contributing to the Armenian Relief fund, but in some cases not in proportion to their means. Some are giving \$1 when they should be giving \$5 or \$10. This is the opinion of the committee in charge.

There is little doubt that the quota will be reached, but Columbia ought to exceed it. About twelve hundred dollars is the amount collected up to date.

Eight men canvassed part of the business district this morning and obtained about two hundred dollars. Sixteen were scheduled to go out, but the weather prevented the other eight. They will cover their districts tomorrow.

W. W. Payne is chairman of the groups to canvass the downtown portion. Those who worked on this today are: J. E. Wright, H. L. Wilson, Tom Picklin, J. E. Higbee, Tom McHarg, J. C. Schwabe, A. F. Neate. Portions of Broadway and Seventh and Eighth streets were covered.

Women under the direction of Mrs. B. C. Hunt will be at the banks all day Saturday to make collections. The drive will close early next week.

Only one country district was heard from. So far Grindstone has contributed \$38.

DIX TALKS ABOUT ARMENIANS

Nation Played Important Part in War—People Suffering Bitterly.

"America does not know the meaning of suffering for liberty," said Thomas C. Dix of St. Louis at the Armenian-Syrian relief program last night. "In comparison with the sufferings of other nations, America gave nothing to the war. The price paid in suffering of little children, women, the old and helpless can never be known here in America."

"Armenia's experience was most tragic of all. She was at the mercy of the Turks, cut off on both sides. Neither Russia nor the Allies could help her. Her people were deported, robbed, murdered—tortured—as no people in history have been tortured. 'Armenia could have thrown her lot in with Germany but she made the choice for liberty. A little band of 20,000 Armenians held the Turkish army at bay for forty-eight hours. Forty per cent of the fighters were killed. Armenia saved Russia just as truly as Belgium saved France.'"

Mr. Dix told the instance of 3,000 girls and women who took poison rather than fall into the hands of the Turks.

"Now they are coming back to their country," said Mr. Dix. "They have no home—their little houses all have been burned, all their property carried away. More than one million have been slaughtered. The rest are starving."

"The question for America to answer is, 'Does she care enough about liberty and those who gave their all to the cause to give from her abundance to save them?'"

"President Wilson typifies to these people America and what America can do. He is their one hope of the future. There are 400,000 starving children. Seventeen cents will feed a child for one day. Five dollars will feed a child for one month. America must answer this call of a liberty-loving people."

Before the lecture, Haig Gudenian, a native Armenian, played three violin selections. Following the lecture Mr. Gudenian played Armenian music and made a short speech about his country.

"Armenia is a proud country," he said. "It is hard for her to beg, but there are no children under five years old in Armenia. And 400,000 children over five years old are starving because their mothers have nothing to give them but bitter tears."

STORMS DELAY 18 TRANSPORTS

Twenty Thousand Troops Stranded Off Atlantic Coast—All Safe Though.

By United Press.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Severe storms off the Atlantic have delayed arrival of 18 transports bearing nearly 20,000 troops.

Wireless messages last night and today stated that all ships were weathering the gale but that many would be several days overdue. Some have been forced to run to Bermuda for coal and repairs, the message said.

Quartermaster to Fort Sam Houston.

Lieutenant George Burke has received orders to report to Fort Sam Houston, Tex., where he has been assigned to the regular cavalry. Lieutenant Burke was in charge of the quartermaster department of the University of Missouri unit of the S. A. T. C.

THE CALENDAR

Feb. 20—Kansas-Missouri basketball game at 7:30 o'clock, Rothwell Gymnasium.

Feb. 20—W. F. Brennan of the National Cash Register Company will lecture.

March 21—The third annual Missouri Valley Oratorical Contest, University Auditorium.

Feb. 22—Red Cross dinner for Boone County soldiers and sailors.

Feb. 28—Lecture by Dr. George B. Mangold, Missouri School of Social Economy, St. Louis, on "The New Children's Code," 8 p. m. in Y. M. C. A. Auditorium.

Feb. 28—Last day for handing in orations for the preliminary to the Missouri Valley Oratorical Contest.

March 3—Preliminary contest for the Missouri Valley Oratorical Contest, University Auditorium at 7:30 o'clock.

March 3—Election of Spring Festival Queen.

March 4—Democratic primaries.

May 12, 13 and 14—Convention of Federal Directors Association.

March 28—Kansas-Missouri debate in University Auditorium.

April 20—Vote on the bond issue for proposed county hospital.

U. S. GETS 8 SHIPS

German Liners to Move 50,000 to 60,000 Troops Each Month.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Eight large German liners now at Hamburg, including the Imperator, have been assigned to the United States in the allocation of Teutonic tonnage, the War Department announced today.

An inspection board is now at Bremen and the allocation of other liners will be made at once.

An ultimate capacity for troop movements of 50,000 to 60,000 a month is estimated from this source.

TROOP 4, SCOUTS, TO MEET

First Session This Year for This Branch of Organization.

Troop No. 4 of the Boy Scouts of Columbia will hold its first meeting this year in Room D, Y. M. C. A. Building at 7:30 o'clock Friday evening. This will be the first meeting of the troop with the new Scoutmaster, Leonard Haseman. Coach H. F. Schulte will attend.

Troop No. 4 was started last spring by Coach Schulte, F. L. Graves, and L. M. Defoe. The work was not carried on in the summer, however, on account of the absence of the scoutmasters. This year the work will be carried on more actively. The troop is composed mainly of the younger boys from the North Side, but this does not prevent any boy more than 12 years old from becoming a member. Troop No. 4 is the newest troop in Columbia.

35TH'S LEADER TALKS

Major-General Traub Denies Missouri-Kansas Division Was Neglected.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Charges that the Thirty-fifth Division was mishandled and not properly cared for in the Battle of the Argonne are not "well founded," Major-General Peter Traub, the division's commander, told the House rules committee today.

"Everything in God's world that was possible was done for the men," Traub said, "but you cannot foresee everything that is going to happen in a six-day battle."

Questioned categorically concerning the charges of Governor Allen of Kansas, Traub either made a flat denial or said the conditions were unavoidable under the exigencies of battle.

"Everything possible was done for the wounded," Traub said, "but there were not enough stretchers in the A.E.F. to take care of 7,000 men at one time."

Traub denied that the Germans dominated the air. There was a shortage of horses, he said, but denied the shortage was as great as 55 per cent. About a half dozen shells from the Allied artillery had fallen inside the American lines, according to Traub. The division was never outside its army and corps artillery, he said.

TWO GOLDEN ANNIVERSARIES

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Old and Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hayes Celebrate.

Sunday February 16, marked the fiftieth wedding anniversary for two Columbia couples, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Old of North Eighth street and Mr. and Mrs. William Martin Hayes of St. Louis, formerly of Columbia.

Mr. and Mrs. Hayes are remembered by the older citizens of Columbia. Their children are: Mrs. W. M. Egan, Columbia; Mrs. P. H. Smith, St. Louis; Mrs. A. B. Wayland, St. Louis; Mrs. F. A. Winslow, St. Louis; Miss Charlotte Hayes, St. Louis; Mrs. J. L. Hamilton, St. Louis, and W. P. Hayes, St. Louis.

The out-of-town guests who attended the anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Old were: Mrs. W. F. Rice and her daughter, Miss Estelle Rice, of Hartsburg; Mr. and Mrs. August Sapp and her daughter and son, Lucille and Richard Sapp, of Ashland; T. G. Old, of Glasgow, and C. R. Old, of Kansas City.

CLEMENCEAU SUFFERS HEMORRHAGE OF LUNG

Physicians, However, Say Condition Is Normal Following Wound.

WIDE PLOT FEARED

Allied Officials Investigate Whether Other Leaders Were Aimed At.

By United Press.

PARIS, Feb. 20.—The anarchist's bullet which wounded Premier Clemenceau yesterday penetrated one lung, causing a slight hemorrhage this afternoon, it was officially announced today. Clemenceau's condition, however, was said to be satisfactory.

The statement said "his temperature was normal and the premier took a normal amount of food."

French authorities with the co-operation of intelligence officers of the Associated Powers were conducting an investigation today in connection with the attack.

The officers were working on the theory that the attack may have been only part of a plot against the principal Allied leaders, although nothing had been unearthed, so far as is known, to support the surmise.

Clemenceau had a good appetite this morning and conferred cheerfully with Foreign Minister Pichon and others. The policeman who was wounded in grappling with the assailant and the premier's chauffeur and secretary have been awarded military medals.

DEFENDS BREST CAMP

United Press Correspondent Denies Charge Place Is "Pest Hole."

BY LOWELL MELLETT

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

(Copyrighted, 1919, by United Press.) BREST, Feb. 20.—Brest may not be the best military base in the world but it is far from the worst, in the opinion of officers and men permanently stationed here.

An investigation conducted under such circumstances as the situation will permit fail to substantiate charges that Brest is "a pest hole" or that the men are victims of mismanagement. It is true that in common with much of Western France there is a super-abundance of mud, but this is due to climatic conditions.

This could not be avoided as Brest was selected as a base because of strategic and geographic reasons. Report of shocking food and insanitary conditions are unfounded, according to inhabitants of the camps themselves.

The investigation by Lowell Mellett was called forth by recent charges in Congress that American soldiers at Brest were suffering because of inefficiency in the War Department.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The hospital rate at Brest for November, December and January ran lower than for any time during the war, according to reports from General Pershing today. The total deaths were 1,311 between November 12, 1918 and February 7, 1919 among the transient and permanent troops at Brest. This is General Pershing's answer to charges of bad conditions there.

LIEUT. RAY E. WATSON CITED

M. U. Graduate Honored for Bravery in Action.

Lieutenant Ray E. Watson, graduate of the School of Law of the University, has been cited for bravery in action, and awarded the Distinguished Service Cross. He was wounded in both legs by a machine gun. His home is in Joplin.

The citation reads as follows: "Second Lieutenant Ray E. Watson, Three Hundred and Seventeenth Infantry. For extraordinary heroism in action near Nantillois, October 5. Although severely wounded, Lieutenant Watson continued to lead his platoon of the machine-gun company with great coolness and disregard of personal danger. When the attacking infantry dropped back in the face of heavy machine-gun fire, he held his position in front of them until they returned to the attack."

MISS WAY LEADS IN CONTEST

Voting for Savitar Queen Will Close Next Saturday.

Miss Margaret Way is leading in the Savitar Queen Contest today with a total of 101,900 votes. Miss Kathleen Titzell with 93,700 votes stands next highest, the rest of the candidates ranking in the following order: Miss Alice Wiedmer, Miss Mary McKee, Miss Lucille Gross, Miss Frances Bandy and Miss Irene Christie.

The standing of the queens are posted in Academic Hall at 9 o'clock every morning. The contest ends at 5 o'clock Saturday evening.